



MEMORANDUM

TO: Parks and Recreation Board

FROM: Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: April 20, 1994

SUBJECT: Construction of Underground Water Quality Vault in House Park
Parking Facility

A request has been received from the Department of Public Works and Transportation on behalf of the Stormwater Management Division to construct a water quality vault inside the House Park parking area.

As indicated by the Stormwater Management Division, the purpose of the vault is to act as a filter and remove debris and pollutants from the stormwater runoff. The vault will be underground with no projecting structure above ground and will be located close to the entrance on Shoal Creek Blvd. Regular maintenance will not interfere with normal park activities.

I am satisfied with the sketch and construction method. I recommend approval of the construction of a vault as described in the attached sketches. Approval is subject to compliance with all specifications of "Construction in Parks" specifications and the attached notes "House Park Special Construction Notes."

If I can provide you with any additional information, please let me know.

for, [Signature]

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

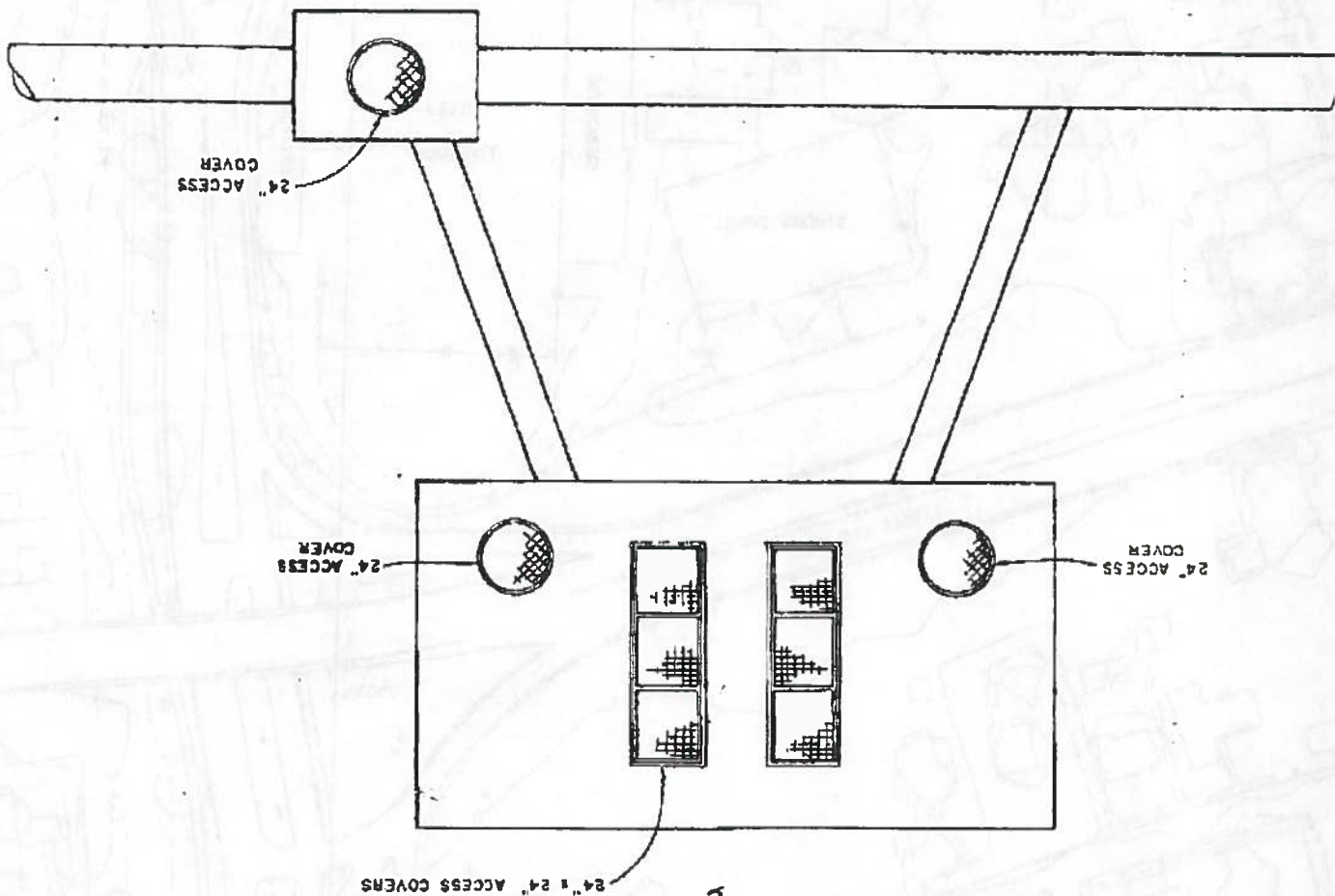
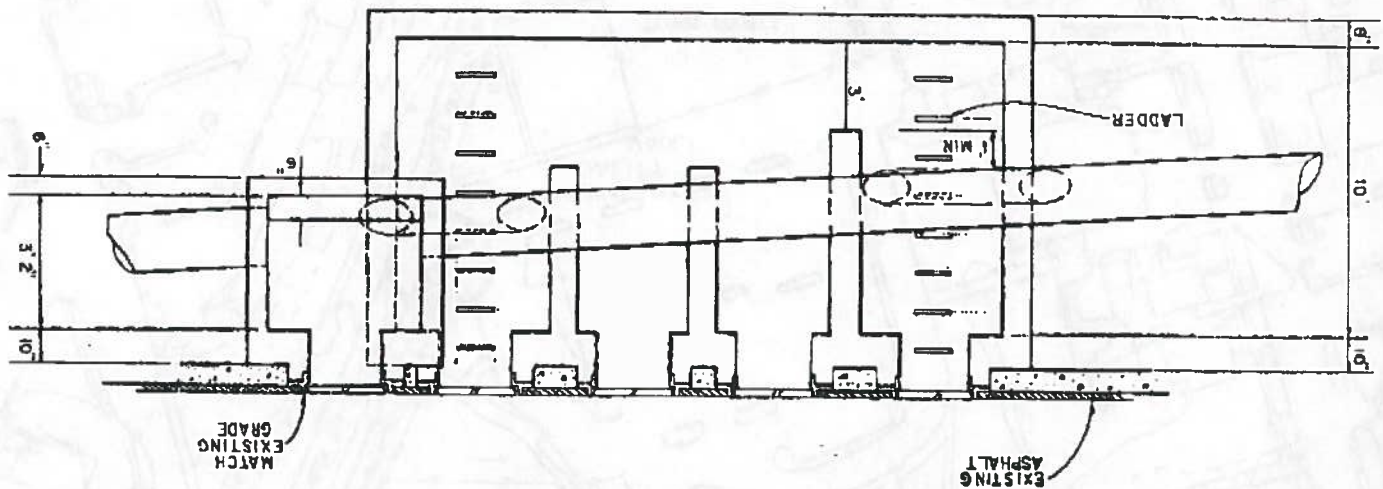
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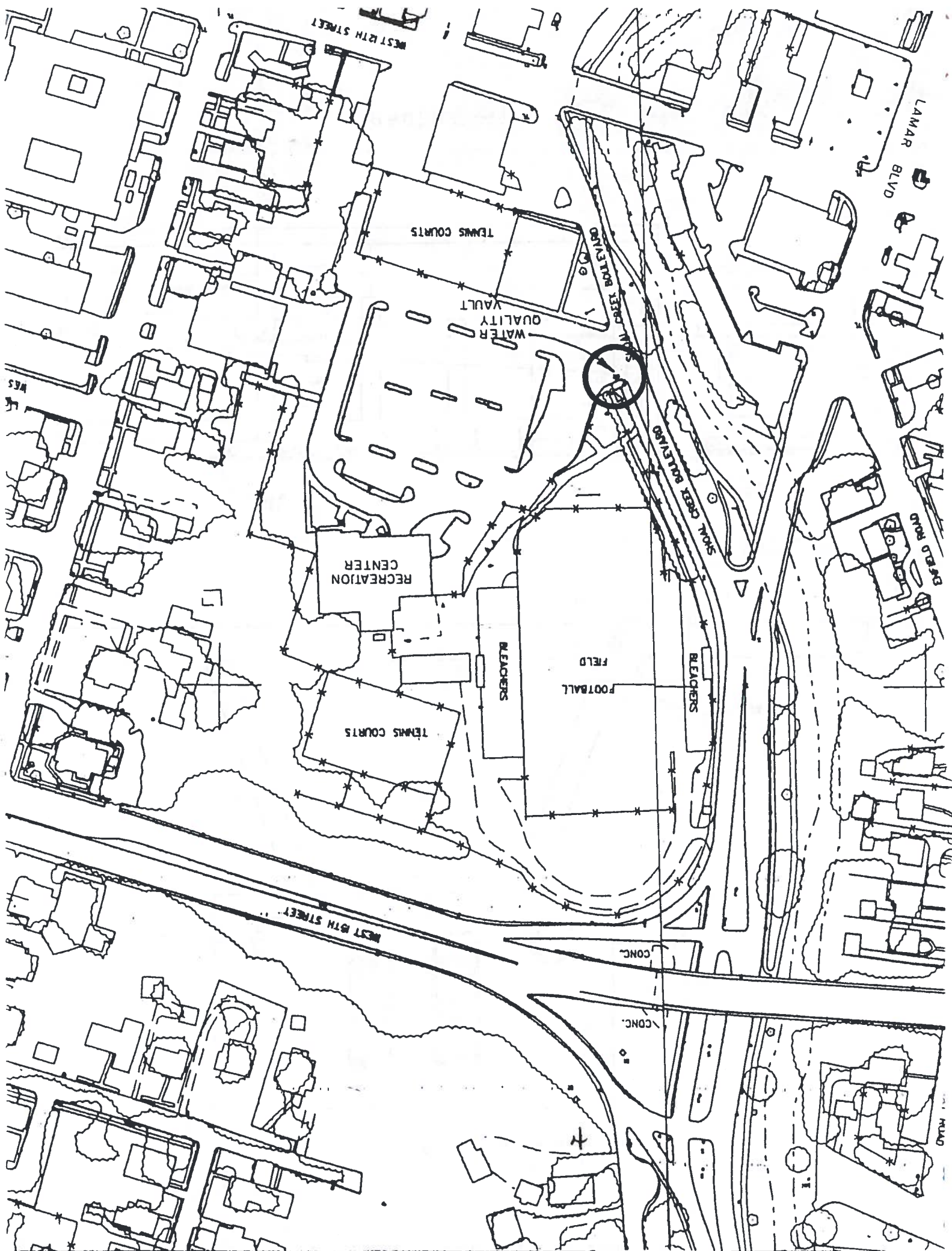
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HOUSE PARK
SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION NOTES

1. ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL CONFORM TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS.
2. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL LOCATE ALL UTILITIES ON SITE PRIOR TO AN EXCAVATION.
3. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SECURE THE CONSTRUCTION SITE WHENEVER THE SITE IS VACATED.
4. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL KEEP SHOAL CREEK BLVD. AND THE PARKING AREA SWEEPED CLEAN OF MUD, ROCKS AND DEBRIS ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES.
5. THE CONTRACTOR IS PROHIBITED FROM USING THE PARKING FACILITY OR SHOAL CREEK BLVD. FOR STOCKPILING MATERIALS OR STORING SPOILS.
6. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO THE PARKING FACILITY AND STREET DUE TO CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES. THE DAMAGED PROPERTY WILL BE REPAIRED OR REPLACED AT THE CONTRACTORS EXPENSE.

PROFILE NTS







MEMORANDUM

TO: Michael J. Heitz, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

FROM: Wm. R. Stockton, P.E., Director
Department of Public Works and Transportation

DATE: April 4, 1994

SUBJECT: Request to Construct Water Quality Facility

The Department of Public Works and Transportation wishes to install an underground water quality vault at the House Park parking facility. This parking area is shared by the City's Parks and Recreation Department and the Austin Independent School District. The purpose of this vault is to capture pollutants typically associated with parking areas. Stormwater runoff from this 2.47 acre site is collected by three existing surface grate inlets. These grate inlets are located near the entrance at Shoal Creek Blvd.

We expect the construction to be completed in 15 to 20 working days. The construction activities would be confined to the north side of the entrance and would not interfere with parking area access. Additionally, the contractor would replace all asphalt damaged during construction.

We are requesting your permission to install this water quality retrofit in the House Park parking area. If you concur, please sign below and return this letter to us. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Gerry Clayton of our Stormwater Management Division at 499-7164.

NOTE: THE ORIGINAL SENT ON 4-6-94
WAS SIGNED. I WILL SEND A SIGNED COPY AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE

Wm. R. Stockton, P.E.
Director

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION

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Approved for the Parks and Recreation Department

Michael J. Heitz, Director

Date



MEMORANDUM

TO: Parks and Recreation Board

FROM: Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: April 20, 1994

SUBJECT: Construction of Underground Water Quality Vault in Existing 42" Storm Sewer Pipe Running Through Gillis Park

A request has been received from the Department of Public Works and Transportation on behalf of the Stormwater Management Division to construct a water quality vault inside Gillis Park.

As indicated by the Stormwater Management Division, the purpose of the vault is to act as a filter and remove debris and pollutants from the stormwater runoff. The vault will be underground with no projecting structure above ground. It will be located close to the Durwood St. entrance and regular maintenance will not interfere with normal park activities.

I am satisfied with the sketch and construction method. I recommend approval of the construction of the vault as outlined in the attached sketches. Approval is subject to compliance with all specifications of "Construction in Parks" specifications and the attached notes on litter control retrofits 1, Gillis Park.

If I can provide you with any additional information, please let me know.

John M. Chaves

for, Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

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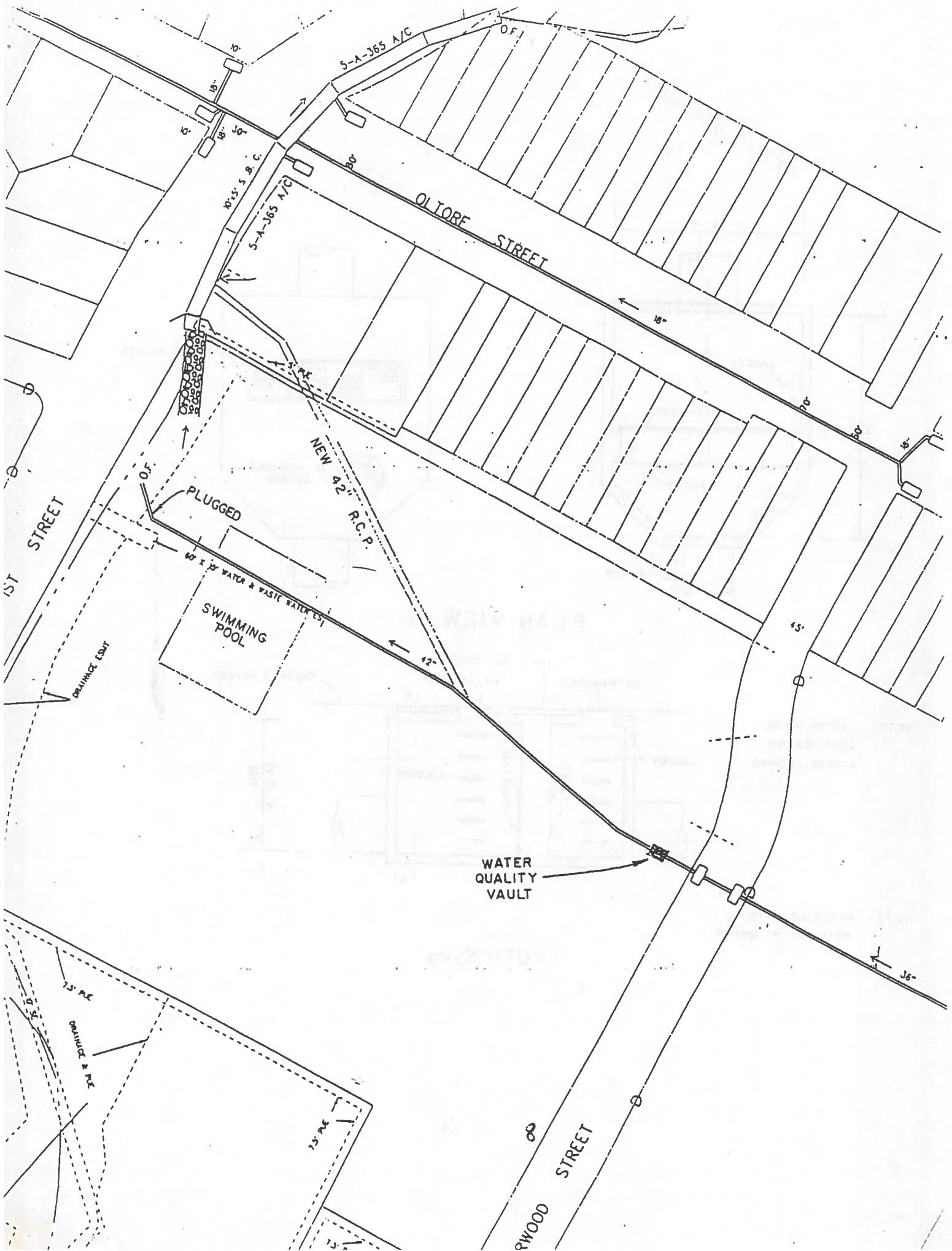
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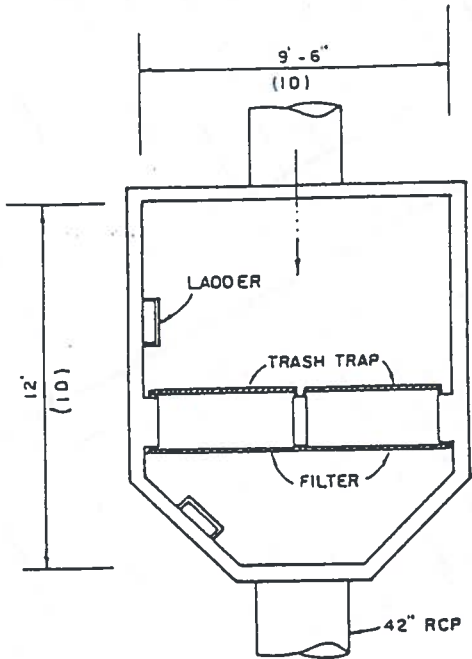
GILLIS PARK

SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION NOTES

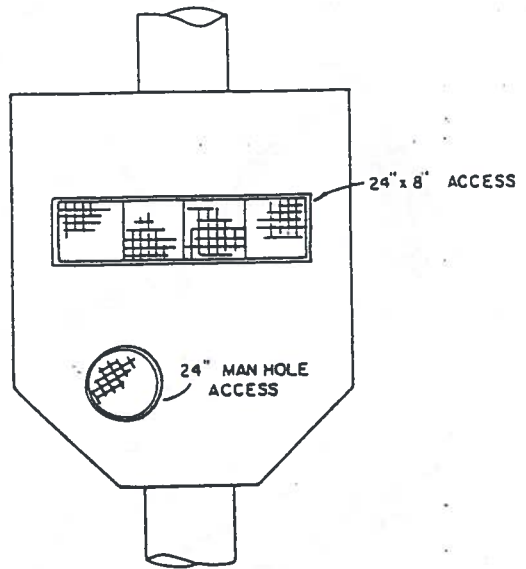
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3. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL EXERCISE EXTREME CARE NOT TO DAMAGE THE EXISTING TREES OR TREE LIMBS.
4. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SECURE THE CONSTRUCTION SITE WHENEVER THE SITE IS VACATED.
5. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL KEEP DURWOOD STREET SWEEPED CLEAN OF MUD, ROCKS AND DEBRIS ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES.
6. THE CONTRACTOR IS PROHIBITED FROM USING GILLIS PARK OR DURWOOD STREET FOR STOCKPILING MATERIALS OR STORING SPOILS.
7. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO THE PARK FACILITY AND STREET DUE TO CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES. THE DAMAGED PROPERTY WILL BE REPAIRED OR REPLACED AT THE CONTRACTORS EXPENSE.
8. ALL CONCRETE SHALL BE CLASS A, 3000 P.S.I.



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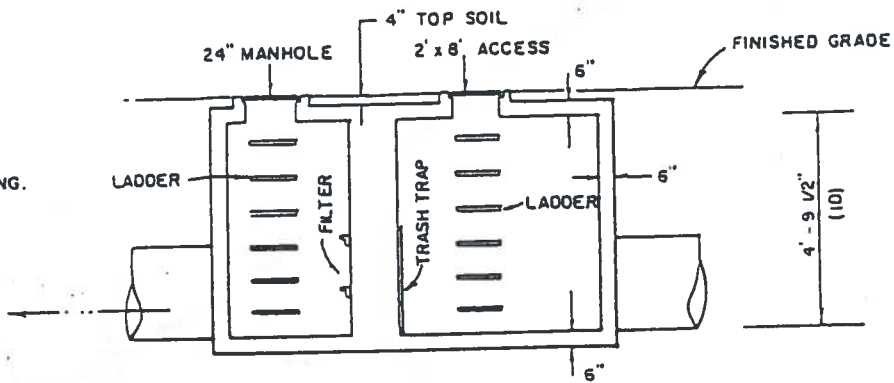


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PLAN VIEW NTS

NOTE: LADDER TO BE CENTERED ON ACCESS OPENING.



NOTE: FILTER MEDIA TO BE INSTALLED BY OWNER.

PROFILE NTS



MEMORANDUM

TO: Parks and Recreation Board Members

FROM: Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: April 26, 1994

SUBJECT: Town Lake Comprehensive Plan Review: Zilker Park

On January 6, 1994 the City Council instructed the Parks Board, the Planning Commission and the Environmental Board to solicit public input, review and make recommendations by June 1994 to the City Council on the update of the Town Lake Comprehensive Plan including Zilker Park, Town Lake and the Colorado River Park. The review schedule adopted by the Parks Board began with the Colorado River Park, concludes with Zilker Park. This meeting will involve a staff description of the Plan and changes recommended by PARD staff and, on May 10, a public hearing. In the meeting of May 24, the Parks Board will formulate a recommendation to the City Council.

Zilker Park Recommendations (see pages 43-55)

1) Develop structured parking under the MoPac bridge.

Recommendation: Agree, although the size of the structure should be determined at a future planning stage. Parking below MoPac should be developed in combination with Capital Metro Dillo service to the MoPac parking area, and to major destinations in Zilker Park.

2) Establish a tram system on a separate pathway between Zilker Park and the new Palmer Auditorium parking structure in order to link recreational, cultural and entertainment destinations in the vicinity.

- Recommendation: Delete the tram system from the Plan, in favor of a Dillo shuttle using existing roads.

3) Construct a bridge over Barton Springs Road to facilitate crossings by pedestrians and cyclists.

- Recommendation: Agree; a safe road crossing is necessary. The method, whether by bridge or tunnel, should be determined at a later planning stage. Also, the approved Barton Springs Road bridge underpass should be included in the Plan.

4) The intersection of Stratford Drive and Barton Springs Road should be moved west to reduce residential traffic through the park, and to re-orient the Botanical Garden access to the west.

- Recommendation: Agree.

5) Automobile traffic in the park is restricted to Barton Springs Road and the existing loop road in the park's southern half.

- Recommendation: Except for the Stratford Drive realignment, retain the existing park road system to allow vehicular access to both sides of Barton Springs Road. The intersections should be monitored and modified if necessary to maintain safety.

6) Construct strolling paths through the park to serve walkers who want to "get out of the fast lane", but not faster joggers and bicyclists.

- Recommendation: Delete the proposal, since it is impractical to enforce the separation of fast and slow traffic.

7) Endorse the current Austin Nature Center Master Plan, re-orienting access to the north and parking under MoPac. Vehicular access will be from the realigned Stratford Drive.

- Recommendation. Agree.

8) The Botanical Garden will develop new facilities within the current site encompassed by Barton Springs Road, Stratford Drive and MoPac, while exhibits not requiring security fencing will be placed on the open field between Stratford Drive and the lake.

- Recommendation. The present Botanical Garden area is available if new facilities are initiated, but the Botanical Garden Society has released its reservation of the open field by the lake.

9) Boat and food concessions should be permitted in the vicinity of the Nature Center or the Botanical Garden.

- Recommendation. A boat concession has been approved; a new food concession would require review and approval by the normal concession process.

10) A water taxi will be introduced to the western end of Zilker Park.

- Recommendation. Eliminate the water taxi from the Plan.

11) Extend the Zilker Eagle route to the MoPac bridge area, and remove it from the children's playscape area.

- Recommendation. Agree; as well as providing a longer ride, the train can assist in moving people between destinations within the park.

✓ 12) Build a covered swimming pool, more parking, an accessible playscape, a hard-surface trail and an outdoor basketball court at McBeth Recreation Center to enhance the special populations program.

- Recommendation: Agree. A new accessible playscape has been approved; the other improvements should be developed as funding is available.

✓ 13) Retain the existing open space along Barton Springs Road for soccer fields and other open play, but move some of the fields to the south side of Barton Springs Road.

- Recommendation: Agree, but retain the soccer fields in their present location.

✓ 14) The open area north of the rock outcrop will be used as a outdoor performance site for low-amplification concerts and plays.

✓ - Recommendation: Agree, only for low-noise events and when the Hillside Theatre is not available.

✓ 15) Renovate the Hillside Theatre.

- Recommendation: Renovation plans are in progress.

✓ 16) Convert the current caretaker's home to a small restaurant.

- Recommendation: Eliminate from the Plan.

✓ 17) Relocate the maintenance facility.

- Recommendation: Agree.

✓ 18) Improve land east of Barton Springs Pool for neighborhood activities.

- Recommendation: Agree.

Please contact me if you require additional information.

for *John M. Schwaier*

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

SCHEDULE

Phase One: Colorado River Park

- February 22: PARD Recommendation
- March 8 and March 22: Public Hearing

Phase Two: Central Lake Corridor

- March 22: PARD Recommendation
- April 12: Public Hearing

Phase Three: Zilker Park

- April 26: PARD Recommendation
- May 10: Public Hearing

Action

- May 24: Board Recommendation to Council



MEMORANDUM

TO: Parks and Recreation Board

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Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: April 20, 1994

SUBJECT: Policy for Raising or Lowering Town Lake

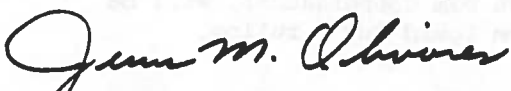
The Electric Utility has drafted a policy for raising or lowering Town Lake. The procedures have not been formalized prior to this time, which has upon occasion resulted in some involved persons concerned that they had not been consulted.

The draft policy is attached. I recommend your approval of the policy with a few minor changes in the list of persons to notify. I recommend notification of the following Parks and Recreation Department personnel:

Park Police Administrator, Leroy Swift, 480-3028
Parks Board Liaison, Jody Hamilton, 499-6714
Concession Manager, Tana Goodwill, 499-6723
Park Operations Manager, Ron Sparks, 480-3027
Town Lake Park Managers, Jim Valadez, 480-8318
Tommy Woods, 480-8568

I also recommend that the list of Town Lake concessionaires be reviewed annually with Ms. Goodwill to be sure all current concessionaires will be notified.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

for 
Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Joseph L. Lessard
Assistant City Manager

FROM: John Moore, Director
Electric Utility Department

DATE: April 20, 1994

SUBJECT: Policy for Raising and Lowering of Town Lake

This memorandum describes the policy for the raising or lowering of the water level of Town Lake with respect to it's normal elevation of 429'. This policy takes in to account the 1) environmental impact, 2) impact to the community, 3) impact to concessionaires on the lake, 4) impact to Holly Power Plant and Green Water Treatment Plant. Attached is a list of parties who are notified prior to each approved raising or lowering of Town Lake.

1. The Electric Utility is the operator of the Longhorn Dam which impounds Town Lake. Operations of Longhorn Dam is conducted by personnel from Holly Power Plant.
2. All requests for the lowering, raising, or flow control of Town Lake are to be directed to the Generation Engineering Division of the Electric Utility, Longhorn Dam Coordinator, Nat Cannon (322-6219). In the absence the Longhorn Dam Coordinator, contact the Manager of Generation Engineering, Dave Alexander (322-6247). If emergency operation of Longhorn Dam is required, contact Holly Power Plant Operations Superintendence, Rudy Martinez, 505-7805 or 505-7854. The above names and phone numbers are listed with the City Public Information Office, Parks and Recreation Department and the Electric Department.
3. Due to the spawning season of Town Lake fish, the preferred months for any Town Lake lowering are September through February. March through August is the least favorable time for Town Lake lowerings.
4. Requests to lower Town Lake in excess of 18" will require the approval of the Austin Parks and Recreation Board. The Longhorn Dam Coordinator will assist in placing the request on the Parks and Recreation Board agenda, however, the requester will be responsible for presenting the request to the Parks and Recreation Board.
5. Lowering requests of up to 18" can be coordinated directly by the Longhorn Dam Coordinator. Requests which would result in significant environmental impact (as determined by the Environmental and Conservation Services Department), or unacceptable effect on public use of Town Lake (as determined by the Longhorn Dam Coordinator), will be referred to the Austin Parks and Recreation Board for a ruling.

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MEMO TO: Joseph L. Lessard, Assistant City Manager

April 20, 1994

6. The Longhorn Dam Coordinator is responsible for contacting all parties on the attached list prior to each raising or lowering of Town Lake.

John Moore, Director
Electric Utility Department

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attachment

cc: Phil Friday, Chair of Parks and Recreation Board
Michael J. Heitz, Director of Parks and Recreation
Austan Librach, Director of Environmental and Consumer Services
Milton B. Lee, Chief Operating Officer
Randy Harlow, Manager of Holly Power Plant
Dave Alexander, Manager of Generation Engineering
Rudy Martinez, Power Plant Operations Supervisor
Nat Cannon, Construction Inspection Supervisor

TOWN LAKE LOWERING

ELECTRIC UTILITY DEPARTMENT

Decker Plant Manager. 322-6901
Holly Plant Manager 505-7801
Operations Supervisor, Harry Brewer 505-7805
Holly Control Room #1 Supervisor I. 505-7854
Electric Utility Dept.
 (TLC) Mark Zion 322-6521
 (TLC) Al Herta. 322-6520
 (T&D) Marvin Holcomb. 322-6583

WATER & WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

GREEN PLANT

Earl Harrison 459-6586
Joe Cadwell 322-2965
A.J. Eschbarger 459-6586
Chester Pierce. 459-7881
Jerry Flinchbaugh 459-6970
Alex Duderstadt 322-2778

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Ron Sparks. 480-3027
Jim Rodgers 440-5162
Jimmy Valdez. 480-8318
Tommy Woods 480-8568

Leroy Swift, Park Police Administrator. 480-3028
Jody Hamilton, Parks Board Liaison. 499-6714
Tana Goodwill, Concession Manager 499-6723

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Public Information Officer. 499-2302

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Communications Officer. 480-5283

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dispatcher. 467-1050

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Leslie Tull/Nancy McClintoch. 499-2652
 City Council (For Resolution, if necessary)

LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY

Randy Rieman (notify for Town Lake refill also. . . . 473-3333 Ext. 7979
Fax No. 473-3551
Recording No. 473-3333

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Lawrence Deroche. 469-2065
Supervisor of Pollution Control, Environmental Health Dept.

LAKE VENDORS

Lone Star River Boat, Mike Pierce 327-1388 (W)
or 328-7064 (H)

Armadillo Canoe Rental, Howard Barnett. 478-3852
or 441-2534

Aqua Festival, Newt Youngblood. 478-3852
(Chamber of Commerce,) Only during Aqua Fest

Austin Rowing Club, Arnie Villareal 472-0700 (W)
or 326-2038 (H)

Texas Rowing Club, Ann Marie. 328-7180

Austin Canoe & Kayak, Dan Buerstetta. 459-8190
or Gayle (Hyatt Regency, 3 p.m. or later) 477-1234 ext. 7399

Capital Cruises, Mark Ledyard 480-9264

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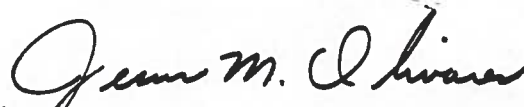
SUBJECT: Austin Aqua Festival

The following information is to share with you the activities and status of the Aqua Festival License Agreement.

Early this year I received a letter from Monica Davis, the 1994 Commodore for Austin Aqua Festival. It proposed modifications to the payment segments of the Licensing Agreement in effect between the City and Aqua Festival. After discussion with Aqua Fest officials, the following consensus was reached between the two groups:

- . Aqua Festival will pay \$1,500 per event day and \$250 per non-event day for use of Auditorium Shores.
- . Monies given the City for park improvements will be used at the discretion of the City of Austin.
- . The City will receive full recovery on direct costs for use of Auditorium Shores.
- . The City will retain the right to conduct and audit and adjust payments as a result of the audit, if needed.
- . Four (4) yearly equal payments will be allowed for Aqua Festival to pay the City funds owned under the Licensing Agreement for the 1993 event.
- . In four years, the License Agreement will be re-negotiated.

We are currently scheduling required review by the Planning Commission, with a proposed request for Council action on May 12. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at 499-6717.

for 
Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director
Parks and Recreation Department